

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1 1. (Currently Amended) A method for administering use of a golf course information  
2 system implemented in golf carts or other roving units with display monitor adapted to provide  
3 display of any or all of information from among course and hole layout, course features and  
4 distance ~~information~~ to assist a golfer in play of the golf course, or of specific ~~information of~~  
5 interest to the individual from external networks including tournament and individual scoring,  
6 stock quotations and electronic mail to enhance the golfing experience, said method comprising  
7 the steps of:  
8       invoking a gratis trial period less than an entire round of play of the course during which  
9 the cart display of such information is activated for a golfer commencing use of the cart; and  
10       automatically rendering said cart display of such information inactive at the end of said  
11 gratis trial period unless, by that point of play, a payment authorization for completion of the  
12 round with activated cart display has been made by a golfer using the cart.

1 2. (Original) The method of claim 1, including the step of providing the golfer with a  
2 capability to enter a payment authorization during or at the end of said gratis trial period.

1 3. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein said step of providing a capability to enter  
2 payment authorization comprises outfitting the cart with said capability.

1 4. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein said step of providing a capability to enter  
2 payment authorization comprises locating a kiosk outfitted with said capability at a point of play  
3 to be traversed by the cart during or at the end of said gratis trial period.

1 5. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein said capability comprises at least one of  
2 a credit, debit or smart card reader, a paper currency reader, a keypad, a touch sensitive screen,

3 an optical scanner, a magnetic scanner, and a wireless communicator.

1 6. (Currently Amended) A method for administering use of a golf course information  
2 system implemented in golf carts or other roving units with display monitor adapted to provide  
3 display of any or all of information from among course and hole layout, course features and  
4 distance ~~information~~ to assist a golfer in play of the golf course, or of specific ~~information of~~  
5 interest to the individual from external networks including tournament and individual scoring,  
6 stock quotations and electronic mail to enhance the golfing experience, said method comprising  
7 the steps of:

8 establishing a gratis trial period less than an entire round of play of the course during  
9 which the cart display of such information is enabled for a golfer using the cart; and

10 disabling said cart display of such information at the end of said gratis trial period unless,  
11 by that point of play, an act representing commitment of payment for completion of the round  
12 with enabled cart display has been detected.

1 7. (Currently Amended) A method for administering use of a golf course information  
2 system implemented in golf carts or other roving units with display monitor adapted to provide  
3 display of any or all of information from among course and hole layout, course features and  
4 distance ~~information~~ to assist a golfer in play of the golf course, or of specific ~~information of~~  
5 interest to the individual from external networks including tournament and individual scoring,  
6 stock quotations and electronic mail to enhance the golfing experience, said method comprising  
7 the steps of:

8 invoking a gratis trial period less than an entire round of play of the course during which  
9 the cart display of such information is activated for a golfer commencing use of the cart; and

10 automatically maintaining said cart display of such information active for completion of  
11 the round if, by the end of said gratis trial period, a commitment of payment therefor has been  
12 made by a golfer using the cart.

1        8. (Original) A method for administering use of an information system implemented in  
2 golf carts adapted to provide access to information available through said system to persons using  
3 the carts during play of a golf course, said method comprising the steps of:

4        establishing a trial period at the start of play with a cart, less than an entire round of play  
5 of the golf course, during which at least the bulk of said information is available for access by the  
6 cart user, and

7        ending access to said available information by the cart user at the end of said trial period  
8 absent a payment authorization for continued access during play of the round.

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1        9. (Original) Apparatus for administering use of an information system implemented in  
2 golf carts adapted to provide access to information available through said system to persons using  
3 the carts during play of a golf course, comprising:

4        said cart-implemented information system automatically establishing a trial period at the  
5 start of play of a round of golf with a cart on said golf course, less than an entire round, during  
6 which substantially all of said information is available for access by the cart user, and

7        entry means for detecting payment authorization by the end of said trial period for  
8 enabling continued access to said available information beyond the end of said trial period.

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1        10. (New) A method of controlling the availability of information presented to a user  
2 of a golf course mobile navigation system from within the system during play of the course,  
3 wherein at least some of said information is presented relative to the real-time position of the  
4 system as it traverses the course, to enhance play, said method comprising the steps of:

5        providing a gratis trial period for full availability of said information to the user on  
6 commencing use of the system, less than an entire round of play of the course, and

7        automatically curtailing the amount of said information available to the user at the end of  
8 said trial period, unless payment authorization is given for continued full availability thereafter.

1        11. (New) Apparatus for controlling the availability of information presented to a user

2 of a golf course mobile navigation system from within the system during play of the course,  
3 wherein at least some of said information is presented relative to the real-time position of the  
4 system as it traverses the course, to enhance play, said apparatus comprising:

5 means adapted to implement a trial period for full availability of said information to the  
6 user on commencing use of the system, less than an entire round of play of the course, and

7 means responsive to completion of said trial period without a commitment to pay for  
8 continued full availability of said information in further play of the round, for automatically  
9 curtailing the amount of said information available to the user from the system thereafter.

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